

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, DC

Issued by the Department of Transportation on June 8, 2001

## NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-2001-9667 - 2

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Application of Southern Air, Inc. filed 5/10/2001 for:

XX Exemption under 49 U.S.C. 40109 to provide the following service:

Scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between Miami, Florida, on the one hand, and Bogota, Barranquilla, Cali, Cartagena and Medellin, Colombia, on the other hand. Southern has requested the authority for an indefinite period or alternatively, for a period of two years.

Applicant rep: Lorraine B. Halloway 202-624-2500 DOT Analyst: Gerald Caolo 202-366-2406

#### DISPOSITION

XX Granted in part (Subject to conditions, see below)
XX Balance dismissed (i.e., for longer-term exemption authority)

The above action was effective when taken: <u>June 8, 2001</u>, through <u>June 8, 2003</u>

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director

Office of International Aviation

XX The authority granted is consistent with the Air Transport Agreement between the United States and Colombia, as amended.

Except to the extent exempted or waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated: XX Holder's certificates of public convenience and necessity

XX Standard exemption conditions (attached)

Remarks: Southern Air has previously been found to be a citizen of the United States and fit, willing and able to provide interstate and foreign charter air transportation of property and mail as a certificated air carrier under section 41102 of Title 49 U.S.C. (see Order 2000-2-8). The foreign air transportation services authorized here are not markedly different in term of aircraft size or stage length from the carrier's current interstate and foreign charter operations under its existing certificate authority. Based on a recent review of Southern Air's overall financial condition, we have found no reason to question the carrier's ability to undertake the proposed scheduled operations. We, therefore, found that Southern Air is qualified to provide the proposed air transportation for the period covered by the exemption.

**Dismissal:** Consistent with our standard practice for this type of application, we granted Southern Air's exemption for a period of two years, and dismissed its request for longer term authority.

On the basis of data officially noticeable under Rule 24(g) of the Department's regulations, we found the applicant qualified to provide the services authorized.

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) our action was consistent with Department policy; (2) grant of the exemption authority was consistent with the public interest; and (3) grant of the authority would not constitute a "major regulatory action" under the Energy, Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted or dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR §385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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### **APPENDIX**

## <u>U.S. Carrier</u> <u>Standard Exemption Conditions</u>

In the conduct of operations authorized by the attached notice, the applicant(s) shall:

- (1) Hold at all times effective operating authority from the government of each country served;
- (2) Comply with applicable requirements concerning oversales contained in 14 CFR (for scheduled operations, if authorized);
  - (3) Comply with the requirements for reporting data contained in 14 CFR 241;
- (4) Comply with requirements for minimum insurance coverage, and for certifying that coverage to the Department, contained in 14 CFR 205;
- (5) Except as specifically exempted or otherwise provided for in a Department Order, comply with the requirements of 14 CFR 203, concerning waiver of Warsaw Convention liability limits and defenses;
- (6) Comply with the applicable requirements of the Federal Aviation Administration Regulations, including all FAA requirements concerning security; and
- (7) Comply with such other reasonable terms, conditions, and limitations required by the public interest as may be prescribed by the Department of Transportation, with all applicable orders and regulations of other U.S. agencies and courts, and with all applicable laws of the United States.

The authority granted shall be effective only during the period when the holder is in compliance with the conditions imposed above.